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8 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
9 FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA  
10 SAN JOSE DIVISION

11 JOEL BENOLIEL, GREGG R. DAUGHERTY,  
BRUCE E. HOSFORD, and DONALD S.  
12 JEFFERSON,

13 Plaintiffs/Petitioners,

14 v.

15 BLACKHAWK PARENT LLC, a Delaware limited  
liability company, and EOP OPERATING  
16 LIMITED PARTNERSHIP, a Delaware limited  
partnership,

17 Defendants/Respondents.  
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Case No. C 07-03001-RMW

**JOINT STIPULATION AND  
[PROPOSED] ORDER  
CONTINUING THE HEARING  
ON THE FIRST AMENDED  
PETITION TO COMPEL  
ARBITRATION AND THE CASE  
MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE**

**Prior Hearing Date:** November 9,  
2007

**New Hearing Date:** December 7,  
2007

1 Pursuant to Civil Local Rules 6-1(b), 6-2, 7-7(b) and 7-12 of the Federal District  
2 for the Northern District of California, Plaintiffs/Petitioners Joel Benoliel, Gregg R. Daugherty,  
3 Bruce E. Hosford, and Donald S. Jefferson (collectively, "Petitioners"), by and through their  
4 respective counsel, submit this Joint Stipulation and Proposed Order Changing Time concerning  
5 Petitioners' pending First Amended Petition to Compel Arbitration (the "Amended Petition")  
6 scheduled to be heard November 9, 2007 (the "Hearing").

7 WHEREAS, Petitioners filed the Amended Petition on July 27, 2007;

8 WHEREAS, Respondents filed a Memorandum of Points and Authorities in  
9 Opposition to the Amended Petition (the "Opposition") on August 10, 2007;

10 WHEREAS, Petitioners filed a Reply in Support of the Amended Petition on  
11 August 17, 2007;

12 WHEREAS, a hearing on the Amended Petition was originally scheduled for  
13 August 31, 2007 at 9:00 a.m.;

14 WHEREAS, on August 27, 2007, the parties submitted a joint stipulation and  
15 proposed order, continuing the August 31, 2007 hearing to September 28, 2007;

16 WHEREAS, on August 28, 2007, the Court entered the proposed order continuing  
17 the August 31, 2007 hearing to September 28, 2007;

18 WHEREAS, a Case Management Conference was also scheduled to occur on  
19 September 28, 2007;

20 WHEREAS, on September 18, 2007, the Court *sua sponte* ordered that the hearing  
21 on the Amended Petition and the Case Management Conference be continued to October 19, 2007;

22 WHEREAS, upon a joint stipulation submitted by the parties, on October 11, 2007,  
23 the Court ordered that the hearing on the Amended Petition and the Case Management Conference  
24 be continued to November 9, 2007;

25 WHEREAS, the parties are in continued discussions directed toward reaching a  
26 negotiated resolution of the issues raised by the Amended Petition;

1 WHEREAS, the parties agree to continue the Hearing and the Case Management  
2 Conference until December 7, 2007; and

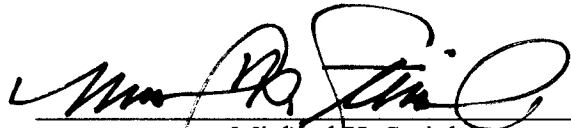
3 WHEREAS, the parties agree that this Stipulation does not waive any of the rights  
4 or defenses available to either party, and that each party reserves its rights to assert any and all  
5 rights and defenses in the future and to provide further papers updating the Court and providing  
6 any further developments;

7 NOW THEREFORE THE PARTIES JOINTLY REQUEST THE FOLLOWING:

8 Subject to the Court's approval, pursuant to Civil Local Rules 6-1, 6-2, 7-7(b) and  
9 7-12 of the Federal District Court for the Northern District of California, that the Hearing and the  
10 Case Management Conference be continued to 9 a.m. on Friday, December 7, 2007.

11 Dated: October 31, 2007

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15 Attorneys for Plaintiffs/Petitioners  
16 JOEL BENOLIEL, et al.

17 Dated: October 31, 2007

SIMPSON THACHER & BARTLETT LLP

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19 /s/ (with express permission)

20 Paul C. Gluckow  
21 Attorneys for Defendants/Respondents  
22 BLACKHAWK PARENT LLC and EOP  
23 OPERATING LIMITED PARTNERSHIP

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25 PURSUANT TO STIPULATION, IT IS SO ORDERED.

26 Dated: \_\_\_\_\_, 2007

27 By \_\_\_\_\_  
28 The Honorable Ronald M. Whyte  
United States District Judge